

Daily Word



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Class Thoughts

PEACE . . . In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a speedy victory in this world conflict, to be followed by a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

JUNE 20 to JULY 19

ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.): I love the wisdom of Spirit and my mind is illumined.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): God's Spirit of plenty is always with me, and I see prosperity everywhere.

HEALING (9 p. m.): The healing power of God's love fills and thrills me, and I rejoice in health of body and peace of mind.

JULY 20 to AUGUST 19

ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.): With the eye of the Spirit I look right through the darkness and see the light.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): The spirit of honesty, industry, and efficiency is now expressed in me, and I am in all ways prospered.

HEALING (9 p. m.): In all my thoughts and words I acknowledge God to be the source of my life, and I am blessed with vigorous health.

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Stately and tall, the Unity Campanile or Prayer Tower directs the traveler to Unity Farm near Kansas City. Even so this little magazine daily directs your steps to the sun-tipped heights in whose glory you behold yourself as a son of God; for such you are.

THE DIVINE GIVER

R. H. GRENVILLE

The word of His mouth is certain, beloved,
His promise sure;
Out of His love He gives the gift
That will endure.

Not the wan moment's rest, not merely
The brief surcease,
But for the strength of all your living
His inward peace.

Not the uncertain joy, the beauty snatched
Along the way,
But the fullness of His kingly giving
Day after day.

Not the mere outer lifetime's
Wavering flame,
But life itself, abundant, everlasting,
In His name.

The Christ

ERNEST C. WILSON

CHRIST IS God's idea of perfect man, the "only begotten" of the Father. Christ is the whole (or "holy") man, whom most of us express only partially as yet. Every effort we make toward the embodiment of the Christ nature brings us nearer to that divine fulfillment by which, as John said, "we shall be like him."

Jesus Christ is the God idea of man made manifest. Christ is the principle, Jesus Christ the principle expressed. Jesus Christ then is both the Way-Shower and the Way. Some men in all ages have apprehended the Christ principle and have given it various names, but only in Jesus Christ have we beheld the fullness of its expression, the God nature of man clothed in form.

Affirming the nature of Christ in ourselves not only helps us to work more assiduously toward expressing Christlike qualities, but it also helps to free us from the tendency toward un-Christlike expression, and from the consciousness of weakness and shortcoming that has been affixed by ages of race thought and belief in human sin and depravity.

Through Jesus Christ and the prophets we have been given repeated assurance (*Turn to page 39*)

Victory

SGT. JOHN E. MANOLA

"Hopeless," "impossible," and "cannot"

Are words I do not know.

No storm can extinguish my inner faith;

No force can hold me low.

Spirit am I, a son of God;

And my good thoughts are the wings

That never fail to lift me up

And out of material things.

No prison walls can hold me,

No chain can bind my limbs.

Lost? Oh, no, for He guides my way

With the light that never dims.

No fall so hard that I cannot rise,

No wall too thick or too high,

No night so black I cannot see

His stars bejewel the sky.

Hope and faith are my passwords,

Christ the light in my soul,

Love my only weapon,

Perfection my only goal.

Within lies every solution,

Possibilities without end,

As I follow in the footsteps

Of my one unfailing Friend.

I Would Be Strong

Presented in Four Parts. Part 2.

A. MUIR OWENS

I would be strong.

I WOULD be a strong soldier, aware of what the best of mankind expect of me. Aware that in order to satisfy myself I must to a certain degree satisfy society. Nonresistant in conforming to the requirements of legitimate group endeavor which may offer small personal profit or pleasure to me.

Tolerant of those who see little of worth in me, who may even despise me. Acquainted with grief but not struck down by it. Acquainted with suffering but eager to reach past it to wholeness.

Mature enough to plan and to wait with faith for certain desirable situations to develop. Mindful that most goals are reached unless they are forgotten or despaired of by the reacher.

Inspired by the courage and faith of many men. Unmoved by the lack of it in a few: unmoved unless toward an act or word that may lead to their awakening.

Comforted by the remembrance of Jesus, whose strength permitted Him to continue His ministry even as crucifixion was upon Him.

I would be strong. It is my happiness and my salvation.

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The Lighted Pathway

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TODAY MANY persons are facing a crisis in their life and find it necessary to make important decisions. They should not be disturbed by the situation nor harassed by indecision; for the Spirit of the living God is here with us now, today, to reveal to us the lighted pathway of life that we should follow.

Though a hundred different ways may be presented to us, there is only one true way, and that is the lighted pathway of the living Spirit. It is the pathway to peace, joy, love, and success. The richest blessings will be ours when we go unfalteringly in the way that the Spirit leads us.

If we wish to be led by the Spirit, we must first become still in mind and heart and present our daily prayers silently, knowing that as we wait upon the Lord the wisdom we need is being revealed to us. Then when we feel led from within toward a certain decision or action, we need not hesitate to accept this prompting, but we can act upon it graciously with a song of thanksgiving.

All hindrances and barriers will vanish away. For God is with us always, keeping us safe.

THERE IS NO FEAR IN MY HEART, BECAUSE
THE SPIRIT OF GOD DWELLS THEREIN.

HAVE YOU ever thought of dedicating your heart to God so that His courage may fill it at all times? Have you realized that you can become so conscious of the fearlessness of God that no thought of fear can lodge in your mind? Do you know that the secret of rising above fear is to abide in the consciousness of the presence of God as your own innate courage?

The fearful person cannot know God as long as he retains his fear. He cannot become courageous with the courage of God while he retains in mind his own thoughts of fear. He must release fear in order to sense the presence of God, the presence of courage, in his own heart.

Fear is only your own thought, and it is this thought which brings about your unfavorable reaction to something or some situation. Your only relief from fear comes through taking your mind off things and dealing with your thought. Your study of Truth and your turning to the courage of God will prove to be your deliverance from fear.

✿ *God gave us not a spirit of fearfulness; but of power and love and discipline.—II TIM. 1:7.*

JULY 2

Sunday

FATHER, MY HEART IS FIXED ON THEE. I
WORSHIP THEE AND THEE ONLY.

IN THE OLD familiar quotation "If therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light," the Bible tells us that the reward of singleness of purpose and oneness of devotion to the good is great indeed.

God, the great eternal Spirit-mind, does not compel us to worship Him. We have complete freedom of choice to worship anything that we please. But our reward in peace of mind and soul for our devotion to God is so infinitely great that it would seem foolish to let it be diverted from Him for even a moment.

Our worship may be given to God in a church, a temple, or other religious edifice, but amid the press of today's demands we are often called upon to be in places where perhaps a fox hole must serve for our place of worship. But even so our singleness of heart and oneness of devotion need not be curtailed or affected. God knows what is in our heart. He understands what we cannot put into words.

• *I, Jehovah, have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thy hand, and will keep thee.—ISA. 42:6.*

Monday

JULY 3

GOD IN THE MIDST OF ME IS WISDOM AND INTELLIGENCE, AND IN HIM I AM WISE AND INTELLIGENT.

GOD WITHIN us is our source of wisdom and intelligence. We have access to all knowledge simply by turning from belief in ignorance and realizing that we have within us all that we need to know.

This moment we have access to all the knowledge that man will ever have. The wisdom that the world will have centuries hence is now at our disposal. The mighty truths known today would have been revealed centuries ago if there had been minds receptive to them. Remember Truth always has existed and always will exist. Truth is never old and never new.

Man has been so inclined to look to external factors for wisdom and intelligence that seemingly he has dulled and blunted the inner faculties. He has denied these so long that now he must begin to bless and to praise them. The "I do not know" attitude must be replaced by the constructive one: I do know because God, the all-wise, in me knows all Truth.

❖ *Thou wilt make me to know wisdom.*—PSALMS 51:6.

JULY 4

Tuesday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, IN THEE I AM FOREVER
FREE.

ONE OF the most inspiring declarations to be found in the Christian Scriptures is that of Paul to the Corinthians: "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, *there* is liberty." For the gospel of Christianity is the gospel of freedom: freedom from fear, freedom from lack, freedom of speech, freedom of worship, and greatest of all, freedom of the spirit.

No religious teaching that is opposed to Christianity dares proclaim the freedom of man, and so it sows the seed of its own destruction. For the spirit of man is born to be free and does not long tolerate bondage. Christianity itself would have vanished long ago had it been predicated upon principles other than those of freedom and liberty.

Jesus Christ taught men to be obedient to the laws that have been set up to govern them, but He also taught them to be free from the limiting beliefs that keep them from expressing their true sonship to God. Rise up now and be free.

✱ *The Spirit of the Lord Jehovah is upon me . . . he hath sent me . . . to proclaim liberty.*—ISA. 61:1.

Wednesday

JULY 5

MY BODY EXPRESSES THE WHOLENESS AND
PERFECTION OF SPIRIT.

HOW JOYFUL I am at having learned to know that I am Spirit; that according to my faith in this truth my body expresses in its functioning the wholeness and perfection of Spirit.

I rejoice greatly because I am Spirit, and nothing, no adverse appearance, no alarming symptom, can cause me to lose sight of the truth that I am God's perfect child. I reaffirm my faith in health and wholeness by saying, "I am Spirit, God's perfect child, and nothing can make me sick or afraid."

I am not alarmed because of dangers about me, or because others are fearful of their own physical condition. I have faith in health and wholeness. I do not permit those who are ignorant of their true spiritual nature to influence me to believe in sickness or infirmity.

I am steadfast in my recognition of bodily health and wholeness. Because I believe it is manifested in me.

✿ *Jehovah bindeth up the hurt of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.—ISA. 30:26.*

JULY 6

Thursday

MY FATHER-GOD IS WISE, JUST, AND IMPARTIAL. I JUDGE ONLY AS HE JUDGES, WISELY, JUSTLY, AND IMPARTIALLY.

WHEN JESUS said, "Judge not according to appearance, but judge righteous judgment," He called our attention to the fact that more often than not appearances are deceptive. If we would judge any situation or set of circumstances rightly, we must perforce look beneath the surface appearance and examine all the hidden factors before coming to any decision concerning them.

There are many occasions when hasty, careless judgment on our part might cause unhappiness or great sorrow to ourselves or to others. Especially is this true when we are dealing with emotional factors, or when one or more of the persons involved in a situation is distraught or upset. We then need to make sure that we say or do only that which is wise, just, and impartial. When what we say or do is dictated by divine wisdom and not by considerations of self-interest it is sure to be right and good.

* *The way of the just is uprightness: thou that art upright dost direct the path of the just.—ISA. 26:7.*

Friday

JULY 7

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THOU ART MY COURAGE
UNWAVERING.

THE MAN whose courage does not waver in the face of great danger at once wins our admiration. For we who have many times been fearful because of some relatively unimportant danger can appreciate and admire the person who has built up within himself a spirit of dauntless, unwavering courage.

The pioneers of every country who discovered, explored, and settled America and made it a mighty nation were men of exceptional courage. It took great stoutness of heart for them to cut themselves loose from everything they were accustomed to, travel thousands of miles across dangerous waters, and then establish new homes in vast expanses of uncharted and unknown wilderness.

The men and women who have made of America a great nation were sustained by a mighty courage backed by a firm faith in God. The truly courageous man is always a man of God faith, for he knows that there is only one source of courage, God, the Father almighty.

✿ *Being therefore always of good courage.*—II COR. 5:6.

JULY 8

Saturday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, IN THEE IS FULLNESS OF JOY.

WHEN JOY reigns in our heart we are victorious over every adverse circumstance. For joy is the spirit's song of victory, of praise to God, the Father almighty, for His love, His care, His abundance of every good.

Joy grows out of the conviction that all is well with us, and it grows and increases and swells until it pervades our whole being, making the words we speak living messengers of light and inspiration to others. Joy in us is our response to God's joy in His creation.

Joy is a spontaneous expression of a sense of spiritual well-being. We can express joy in the face of adversity; we can be joyful when persons all about us are wearing long faces and expressing gloom; we can let the joy of Spirit radiate from us to hearten and encourage those who do not know how to be joyful.

Rejoice today because you know that God is with you. He dwells within your heart. Prove your divine sonship by the joyfulness of your spirit.

✱ *I will greatly rejoice in Jehovah, my soul shall be joyful in my God.—ISA. 61:10.*

ALMIGHTY FATHER, I ACKNOWLEDGE THEE
AS MY EVER-PRESENT GOOD, AND MY HEART
SINGS PRAISES TO THEE.

WHEN THE Psalmist lay in hiding, in deep distress of soul, surrounded by both actual and fancied enemies, he recorded his reactions in the inspiring 57th Psalm, in living words that may be echoed today by every man who is assailed by enemies, real or imagined.

"In the shadow of thy wings will I take refuge,
Until *these* calamities be overpast.

I will cry unto God . . . that performeth *all*
things for me.

He will send . . . and save me. . . .

They have digged a pit before me;

They are fallen into the midst thereof themselves."

Then he climaxes this triumph of faith over fear with one of the most inspiring songs of praise to be found in the Bible: "My heart is fixed . . . I will sing praises . . . I will give thanks."

So every man whose heart is fixed on God may sing of the security that is in Him.

● *I . . . have covered thee in the shadow of my hand.*
—ISA. 51:16.

JULY 10

Monday

I NO LONGER DOUBT THE POWER OF CHRIST WITHIN ME. I HAVE FAITH IN MY INDWELLING POWER TO DO ALL THINGS.

I HAVE PERFECT faith, since all doubt and unbelief are cast out of my mind. There is no place in me for doubt, because the Spirit of faith fills me entirely. I give up all unbelief, since I am "faithful," full of faith in Christ within me.

I cannot doubt the power of Christ, since Christ within me quickens me to absolute faith. Such faith gives me faith in the omnipresence of good, faith in healing, faith in substance.

I have faith in my own indwelling power, in the presence of unconquerable Spirit, in the power of Christ within me. I know that nothing that is outside me can cause me to doubt the power of Christ within me. I know that my own indwelling Spirit is greater than the alleged power of the world, and I have faith in myself and in my own.

I have faith that I can do all things through Christ, who inspires me to faith. I am certain that nothing can prevent the appearance of good in my life, for all things are now working for good.

☛ *Be not faithless, but believing.*—JOHN 20:27.

Tuesday

JULY 11

I GIVE UP ALL BELIEF IN LACK AND ACCEPT
THE BOUNTY OF GOD NOW BEING POURED
OUT UPON ME.

WE TAKE the first step to prosperity when we wipe from consciousness all belief in failure and poverty. We erase from our mind all thought that we, the children of God, are bound to misfortune and lack, and by this step we open the way to prosperity.

A study of the truth of infinite Being reveals to us that as children of the Father of all good we are heirs to His bounty. We cease to think of ourselves as victims of hard times and ill luck. We recognize the truth that we are children of God, children of prosperity.

Prosperity appears first in the mind as rich ideas. Since the mind links us to all the good that comes to us, we see that we must correct our thought in order to receive good.

Rich ideas attract prosperity. The person with a rich mind easily draws success to himself. His ideas grow in worth and he grows in wealth—wealth of mind, wealth of soul, wealth in affairs.

☛ *God . . . giveth us richly all things to enjoy.*—I TIM. 6:17.

JULY 12

Wednesday

GOD'S TRUTH IS THE LAW OF MY LIFE.

WHEN God created us He established a law that enables us to live a rich, full, happy, and completely satisfying life as long as we live according to its principles. This law we call divine principle or Truth.

Many have attempted to define Truth as a working principle, but while they have been helpful and have furnished us with ideas that enable us to get a better understanding of God, only we ourselves can realize through spiritual perception what Truth is. Our most easily accessible key to it is found in the teachings of Jesus Christ, whose understanding of God was perfect.

If we study Jesus' teachings we shall see that the way of living and conduct that He advocated is simple enough, but it often seems impossible to us because we do not dare to follow it literally: "Have faith in God." "Love your enemies." "Resist not." "Ask, and ye shall receive." "Give, and it shall be given unto you." "Be not . . . anxious for the morrow." Nevertheless if we do try to accept these teachings literally we shall find our life filled with contentment.

• *Besides me there is no God.*—ISA. 44:6.

NO LONGER LOOKING FOR PERSONAL IMPERFECTIONS, I BEHOLD THE CHRIST IN EVERY ONE.

MUCH INHARMONY comes from looking to personality. If a person is inclined to look for the personal shortcomings of another he usually succeeds in finding them. If he has certain pet imperfections he finds that others usually have them. But if his standard is that of the Christ he can easily behold the Christ in others.

If one will but give this teaching a test he can very readily prove its truth. If you have been seeing a relative or an acquaintance as a person with many faults, change your view. When you change your perspective upon life you will see that persons seem to change. If because of personal consciousness you have looked at someone through distorted vision, he has appeared distorted to you.

If you look at another with unloving eyes, he will appear to you as being unloving. If you point out his faults he will be resentful. But if you look for the Christ you will find Him.

✿ *For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ.—I COR. 2:2.*

JULY 14

Friday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THY LOVING PRESENCE
INFOLDS ME, AND I AM SAFE AND SECURE.

IN THESE troubled days we may often be called upon to perform tasks that involve great danger to life and limb. But though the risks we run may appear to human eyes to be impossible ones, we are never without the protection of God's loving presence.

The Bible is filled with assurance of divine protection: "Jehovah God is a sun and a shield." "His truth is a shield and a buckler." "Under his wings shalt thou take refuge." "Whoso putteth his trust in Jehovah shall be safe." "I will not leave you desolate." These are only a few of the promises to His children that our Father is fulfilling momentarily.

If our daily tasks involve us in physical danger, we know that the Father's loving presence is upholding and infolding us, keeping us safe and secure. Man-made engines of war may wreak havoc and destruction, but danger need not come nigh us when we are infolded in the presence of God.

✱ *I . . . have covered thee in the shadow of my hand.*
—Isa. 51:16.



GRACE SUFFICIENT

HERBERT J. HUNT

My grace is sufficient for thee.—II Cor. 12:9.

"My grace sufficient is for thee!"
In accents clear God speaks to me.
If I by faith on Him rely,
His grace shall be my rich supply.

"My grace sufficient is for thee!"
Dear Lord, I claim Thy promise free.
I'll look to Thee for certain aid,
And need no longer be afraid.

"My grace sufficient is for thee!"
Though storm or cloud encompass me,
The still small voice my heart doth tell
That God is near and all is well.

"My grace sufficient is for thee!"
Thy word abides eternally.
With mercies new each dawn of day,
Thou art my life, my love, my way!

Thus I go forth on all life's ways,
My heart o'erflowing with Thy praise;
And this my song shall ever be:

"Thy grace sufficient is for me!"

FREED FROM ALL RESTLESSNESS AND DISSATISFACTION, I ABIDE IN THE ALL-SATISFYING PRESENCE OF GOD.

ONE WHO is restless and dissatisfied has not found himself. He has not learned the truth of his existence in God, in whom is all satisfaction.

The person who is dissatisfied looks without for his satisfaction. Failing to find it there, he knows nowhere else to seek it. Failing to find satisfaction in the things of the world, he should look to his own indwelling Spirit for comfort and satisfaction.

When a person finds that persons and things do not give him satisfaction he should be willing to seek satisfaction within himself. He should reverse the thought that causes him to be dissatisfied by filling his mind with positive thoughts. After he has established himself in God, after he has found satisfaction there, he will be able to find it in all that he does in God's name. He will receive satisfaction from serving God. He will receive it in his contacts with other persons.

✿ *We shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house.*
—PSALMS 65:4.

JULY 16

Sunday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THOU ART MY HELPER.

I AM THANKFUL, Father, for Thy loving presence in me and about me, ever guiding me in the ways that lead to the eternal good that is my divine destiny. I am thankful for the many blessings that are mine each day as I give ear to Thy guidance and follow the way that Thou hast set before me.

I am grateful beyond words to express for the knowledge that any task given me to do I can do successfully and well, for Thou art my helper, and I do all things in Thy name and service. I rejoice in the many opportunities that are mine to praise Thee and to give thanks unto Thee for Thy loving-kindness and tender mercy.

I am thankful, Father, that Thou dost always hear me when I seek Thy counsel. I am thankful for the assurance that Thou art with me always. I am thankful for Thy love, which encompasses me and makes me a radiating center of peace and harmony to others. I am thankful for Thy light, which makes my path always clear.

☛ *Thus saith Jehovah, In an acceptable time have I answered thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee.—ISA. 49:8.*

THE SPIRIT OF GOD IN ME BIDS ME ARISE AND DO MIGHTY WORKS.

ONE OF America's most famous industrialists, a man noted for his ability to perform incredible feats of production, is said to have the following creed on his desk: "The difficult is that which can be done immediately, the impossible takes a little longer."

The man who does not believe in the impossible necessarily cannot believe in failure. He is like the man who after having been unsuccessful in a dozen different ventures and being called a failure, replied: "I have not failed. I simply have not succeeded yet." The yet is the most important word in his reply.

Whether according to the world's standard we have been successful or not in the past has no bearing upon our present endeavors. Yesterday has given us the benefit of experience; today is our opportunity, and what we make of it depends wholly upon our faith in God and our faith in ourselves. God impels us to do mighty works; it is up to us to get them done.

✿ *He that believeth on me . . . greater works than these shall he do.*—JOHN 14:12.

JULY 18

Tuesday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THOU ART MY UNFAL-
TERING AND EVER-INCREASING STRENGTH.

AS LONG as our life runs along uneventfully and we have no especially difficult problems to cope with, our strength seems sufficient for the demands that we make upon it. But when we face some emergency, some ominous situation that seems to drain the very life from us, then we realize that our human strength is not equal to the occasion.

It is then we learn that we can draw strength from the infinite fount of strength, God, the Father almighty. We put aside our human fears, our tendency to falter and become panicky. Quietly, trustfully, like a child going to its human father for aid, we go to our heavenly Father for the divine strength that we need. Silently we wait, and there comes to us a sense of wondrous new power. Almost at once our feeling of weakness or insufficiency vanishes and is replaced by a conviction that we are strong, mighty to overcome whatever opposes us. This strength grows and increases into a mighty power that nothing can overcome. Henceforth our strength is as the strength of ten.

♣ *Jehovah . . . is my strength.*—ISA. 12:2.

Wednesday

JULY 19

ALMIGHTY FATHER, MY THOUGHTS AND WORDS ARE FILLED WITH THY LOVE.

THE WORDS of Jesus Christ as recorded in our Bible have brought untold comfort to millions who have read them in times of stress or sadness. Because Jesus Christ understood so perfectly the love of God and because He loved His fellow men with that same glorious love, His words became endued with love, so filled with it that the very reading of His recorded words brings a thrill to the heart.

We look to Jesus Christ today as our great example, as the Way-Shower who came to reveal to us our divinity, to point out to us that love is the key to every human problem. John tells us that "God is love" and that God so loved the world that He gave to it His only-begotten Son.

The wonder-working power of love remakes our life for us as we let it fill and shine through all our thoughts and words. It brings us joy for sorrow, peace for unrest, comfort and healing for grief. Just saying silently the word "love" before speaking to another will insure harmonious results.

☛ *The Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me.—JOHN 16:27.*

JULY 20

Thursday

WITH THE EYE OF THE SPIRIT I LOOK RIGHT THROUGH THE DARKNESS AND SEE THE LIGHT.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

THERE IS A deep truth evidenced in the favorite old saying "Behind the clouds the sun is still shining"; for behind the dark clouds of fear, distrust, and every form of negation there shines undimmed the light of Spirit, God's living light. It is always there even though we are so engulfed in the darkness that we cannot see it at all.

Light is always supreme over darkness. Though the darkness may seem victorious for a time, it can never prevail. The forces of light may for a brief moment be assailed by the forces of the darkness, but the ultimate victory is always with the light. So it must ever be.

Today if there is darkness about you, fear not. Know that the light surrounds you even though you may not at the moment see it. Look to God, the Father eternal, who is light. Claim His authority, His dominion, over the darkness. Behold the light; proclaim it and then so it shall be.

☛ *Behold, he cometh . . . every eye shall see him.*
—REV. 1:7.

Friday

JULY 21

THE SPIRIT OF HONESTY, INDUSTRY, AND EFFICIENCY IS NOW EXPRESSED IN ME, AND I AM IN ALL WAYS PROSPERED.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

WE MAY understand the truth that God is substance, and we may see how it is possible for His infinite substance to be expressed in our affairs through the action of certain laws. But until we put these laws to work and learn to work in accord with them fully and completely, our knowledge of the prosperity law is likely to do us little good.

Prosperity is the rightful state of every one of God's children. God did not make us to be poor or lacking in either the necessities or the comforts of life. But neither did He ordain a law that would make it possible for us to have abundance of everything by being lazy, dishonest, and behaving in a high-handed or haphazard manner.

Honesty, industry, and efficiency are three magnets that are mighty to attract and cause God's abundance to become manifest. Let us use them right heartily, and see prosperity appear.

✿ *A doer that worketh, this man shall be blessed.*
—JAMES 1:25.

JULY 22

Saturday

IN ALL MY THOUGHTS AND WORDS I ACKNOWLEDGE GOD TO BE THE SOURCE OF MY LIFE, AND I AM BLESSED WITH VIGOROUS HEALTH.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

UNTIL WE became students of Truth, many of us who habitually enjoy good health may not have consciously acknowledged God, the Father and creator of all, to be the source of our life. But in some way that we have not understood we have established a realization of the life that flows forth from God as manifest in us as good health.

One of the greatest benefits we derive from the study of Truth is the knowledge that by the use of thoughts and words we exercise control over our life. As we think and speak so we are. Positive, good thoughts and words establish good health for us, whereas negative, weak thoughts and words establish the contrary.

If our health now is good we can establish it even more firmly, and if it is poor we can transform it into good health by acknowledging God to be the source of our vigorous health.

☛ *Let us return unto Jehovah . . . he will heal us.*—Hos. 6:1.

THE LORD GOD OMNIPOTENT REIGNS SUPREME IN HIS WORLD.

REJOICE, ye men, ye legions of angels, ye living creatures, ye stones. Sing aloud your praise to the Lord God omnipotent, who reigns and rules supreme in His world. Let your voices now be raised in a mighty song of thanksgiving that will stir the ethers with divine rapture.

A cloud arose, a dark cloud filled with ominous mutterings and fearsome lightnings, and for a time it dimmed the light that shines gloriously upon us. For a moment we wondered, "Has the light ceased to shine?" but only for a moment; for we perceived, albeit dimly, that the light was still there. Then we knew that the darkness was not of Thy making, Father-God, and that through Thee and with the aid of Thy marvelous works we had power and authority to dispel it.

Let the children of light now sing praises unto the Lord God omnipotent. Let all the earth rejoice. Let the glad song of thanksgiving rise in a mighty paean of praise that will ring out forevermore. The Father Almighty rules supreme.

✻ *Sing, O ye heavens, for Jehovah hath done it.—ISA. 44:23.*

LORD CHRIST, IN THEE MY FAITH IS MADE PERFECT.

DEAR LORD CHRIST, I came unto Thee in my hour of trial, weary, racked by doubts and fears. I had thought I was able of myself to live happily among my fellow men, for I sought to live justly and uprightly. I sought to offend no man. I looked upon my fellow men as children of God, and I loved and respected each one. Yet there came upon me great tribulation, such as I had never imagined. My trouble was greater than I could bear.

In the dark hours I sought for light, and when my heart was heaviest there came a still small voice saying, "Fear thou not, for I am with thee." Oh, the boundless joy that this assurance brought! Thou, the Christ indwelling in me, had become known to me. No longer did I seek for light, for I knew that the light eternal was mine. No longer did I lack faith, for I knew that the faith was mine that would put the enemy to flight.

Lord Christ, Thou hast restored, renewed, and perfected my faith. I praise and thank Thee.

* *Looking unto Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith.*—HEB. 12:2.

Tuesday

JULY 25

I CANNOT BE SEPARATED FROM CHRIST AND MY GOOD. I AM EVER UNIFIED WITH HIS BLESSINGS.

NEVER THINK of yourself as living apart from Christ. Do not think of persons and things as having the power to keep you separated from Christ or from your highest good. Think often of the great universal unity that joins you with Christ and your good. Know that nothing in all this world can keep His blessings from you. Realize that you are eternally identified with Him.

In Spirit we can never be separated from Christ. We find ourselves separated from His good, His blessings, only when we neglect to abide in the consciousness of unity. We find that we live apart from His peace, joy, love, health, and plenty only when we fail to identify ourselves with Him.

Christ is ever with us. He is with us as the blessing that we mostly desire and need. If we are conscious of His presence, we become conscious of the manifestation of the blessing by which we can best know and love Him. He appears in the form by which He can best serve us.

✿ *The Lord is with thee.*—LUKE 1:28.

JULY 26

Wednesday

GOD'S PERFECT WORLD, HEAVEN, NOW AP-
PEARS, AND I FIND MYSELF IN ITS MIDST.

HEAVEN to me is wherever God is, and since He is here in His omnipresence, heaven is here and now manifest. Since I am one with Him and His presence, I am now in the midst of heaven, His perfect world.

I do not look forward to a heaven at some other time or in some other place. I know that heaven is not limited by time or space. I now abide in the high consciousness in which I recognize the timelessness and spacelessness of Spirit. I live in the heavens of spiritual consciousness, and there I find my heavenly blessings.

Finding the kingdom of heaven—the kingdom of God, the good—within and about me, I find the existence of every good that I seek. Having found heaven, I discover therein the consummation of every ideal. God's all-infolding presence assures me the presence of heaven. His love bestows upon me the rewards of heaven.

As I abide in heavenliness I am one with all that God has, one with Omnipresence.

✿ *Seek ye his kingdom, and these things shall be added unto you.*—LUKE 12:31.

Thursday

JULY 27

FATHER, LET ALL MEN REJOICE IN THY
LOVING-KINDNESS AND JUSTICE.

LONG AGO a man of great spiritual vision wrote: "The justice of God is greater than the justice of man." He had perceived that divine justice operates under a higher law than that of man. Man tries to do justice according to the shifting standards of human thinking; but God does justice according to the divine standard of love, compassion, and mercy.

Every student of man-made law knows that historically man's ideas of law and the punishment he has fixed for violation of it have varied according to his social, moral, and spiritual development. We are looking forward to the day when so-called human justice will be done according to spiritual standards.

God's justice is sure and certain, but we need never be fearful of it if our heart is filled with love for Him and our fellow men. "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them" is still the most accurate statement of the law of justice ever pronounced.

✿ *I will establish my justice for a light of the peoples.*
—ISA. 51:4.

JULY 28

Friday

I REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE THAT GOD IS THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, WHO IS, WHO WAS, AND WHO EVER SHALL BE.

ALTHOUGH the world may seem at times to be in a state of great disorder, we can nevertheless be thankful that it is still governed by God's laws of stability and harmony. For the disorder and confusion that are evident in the world are man made. Let us give thanks that they are not the product of divine carelessness or stupidity.

If God were a capricious being who let the sun rise this morning in the east and tomorrow morning in the south, if He let today be twelve hours long and tomorrow eighteen, if He went back on certain orderly processes of nature, we should find it very difficult to exist at all on this planet. But the infinitely loving Father governs His creation wisely; and with the exercise of infinite divine patience He directs us eventually toward the ideal that is our true goal.

Though all else may change, God does not and will not change. He is the same forever.

♣ *Thou, O Jehovah, art our Father . . . from everlasting is thy name.*—ISA. 63:16.

I AM PATIENT, FOR I KNOW THAT GOD IS
SETTING ALL THINGS IN ORDER.

PATIENCE is a divine quality of spirit, for it springs from a conviction that no matter what the appearance, all is well in God's world.

The impatient person is never satisfied to let things be worked out peacefully and satisfactorily to all concerned. Because he wants to speed up the orderly processes by which all things come into expression, he tries to take matters into his own hands. Sometimes he appears to meet with a measure of success, but eventually he finds that instead of helping matters, he has actually hindered them.

The man who has developed the quality of patience knows that he has nothing to lose and much to gain by co-operating with God. He is content to let God's laws of seedtime and harvest work for him without rushing hither and thither wasting his energy trying to make them work faster. However he does not sit idly by when something needs his attention. He is patient but not lazy, steadfast but not immovable.

✿ *I know thy works, and thy . . . patience.*—REV. 2:2.

JULY 30

Sunday

FATHER, MY MIND IS CALM AND UN-
TROUBLED. I THINK THY THOUGHTS AFTER
THEE.

BEFORE we can understand the great purposes of our life and how far they are being fulfilled in our present circumstances and conditions, we need to gain a definite conviction of our relation to God and His whole creation. We are sons of God, who has made us in His image and after His likeness.

The true realization of our closeness to, nay, our oneness with, God often comes to us instantaneously as a direct revelation from on high, but it is preceded by a period of deep meditation. In these periods of silence so deep as to be soundless all the restless, uncertain, insecure, surging thoughts are put to rest beneath a soft coverlet of peace and tranquillity. Then in the profound stillness we perceive what men call the thoughts of God: life eternal, being involved and evolving, growing ever more beautiful as it rises in ascending spirals to the infinite perfection that is God, the One.

☛ *I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.*—REV. 21:6.

Monday

JULY 31

FATHER, I ACKNOWLEDGE THEE AS MY GUIDING SPIRIT.

THERE IS one sure way in which we can proceed without having to make mistakes or do something that we shall regret afterwards. This way is the way of Spirit, the way that is revealed to us when we place our whole trust and confidence in God and cease trying to do things according to the dictates of our human will.

God does not make mistakes. If He did His universe would be one of chaos and confusion. Since God does not make mistakes we cannot go wrong when we follow His guidance without trying to interpose our own ideas.

The difficult thing for most of us in seeking to follow divine guidance is to convince ourselves that we should follow the way Spirit reveals to us even though it appears to be contrary to good judgment or our past experience and when examined by human standards it appears to be unproductive of the results that we desire. Then is the time that our reliance upon Spirit's guidance should not waver. For God can see what we cannot see—the happy outcome of reliance upon Him.

✿ *Jehovah will guide thee continually.*—Isa. 58:11.

THE CHRIST

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that the nature of Christ abides latently within us, that we are sons of God, joint heirs with Jesus Christ to His kingdom. In the name and through the power of Jesus Christ we may through prayer and prayer-inspired living become like Him.

Shall we pray to God, to Jesus, or to Christ? "I and the Father are one," said Jesus. "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." Follow your own guidance. Whichever way you pray will lead you to the Highest. Pray in whichever way you most deeply feel a sense of the reality, the presence and power of Spirit. God will hear your prayers, and you will receive the heart-warming, soul-inspiring sense of divine help and guidance.

The title of Dr. Wilson's lesson next month is "Heaven."

Return to Prayer

GENE MOORE

Heaven must discount war's pathetic madness,
Aware of widening areas of light;
And angel choirs sing their hymns of gladness
When murmured prayers by millions star the
night.

GOD GIVES THE INCREASE

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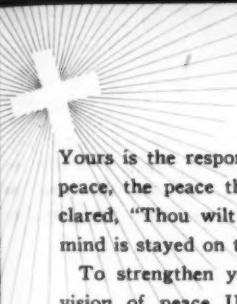
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